



Azalea City Church of Christ

“A Place for Families, A Place for You”

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The Lone Ranger

In the book of Genesis, Moses reveals an interesting need about the human race, “It is not good for the man to be alone” (Genesis 2:18). If isolation wasn’t good for Adam, neither is it good for us. Do you think (believe) that togetherness comes naturally? Well, think about this. Why do we wear headsets as we jog or do our lawn or walk to class or eat at a restaurant? The key word today is “privacy”. We’ve all adopted the unwritten regulation so often observed in elevators as one author says, “Absolutely no eye contact, talking, smiling, or relating without written permission from the management.”

When I was very young, the Lone Ranger was one of my heroes. I’m afraid that the Lone Ranger has become a model (mask and all) for many relationally. Why do so many don the Lone Ranger’s mask: Is it insecurity? Is it fear of being hurt? Is it prejudice? Do you find yourself masking yourself from others in the church? Isolating ourselves is one reason why many churches lack unity. In our lesson today, Jesus will teach us how to bring about oneness in His prayer in John 17. Just as Jesus had a close circle of friends (the apostles), it’s very important that we develop a close circle of friends within the church. How can we do that? Begin by praying that we can be (will be) “one heart and soul” as we work together under His authority and giving spirit.

Principle: When the Lone Ranger takes off his or her mask, other Lone Rangers are sure to follow.

David

MISSION STATEMENT

We exist to **EXALT** Christ, **EVANGELIZE** the lost, **EDIFY** the saved, and be an **EXAMPLE** to our community.

2010 THEME:

FOCUS...WHAT COUNTS?

“Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith...” *Hebrews 12:2*

YOUTH GROUP

Jason Killough - Youth Minister
(251) 455-6443- cell

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today- Family Day, Teen Super Bowl Party at Terry and Michelle's, Be there around 5, game starts at 6.

February 12- Teen Valentine Progressive Dinner, Be sure to let us know if you are going to be there.

February 14-Area wide at Creekwood. We will leave the building at 4:30 and return around 9

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. The LORD lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.

Psalms 147:5-6

A NOTE FROM JASON

I hope that you enjoy spending time with your families today. Sometimes we take for granted how important our families really are to us. I want to encourage you to be involved, there are a lot of things that are going on. I also want to challenge everyone to be in Bible class with us. I think that you will be greatly benefited by our study. I hope that we will truly be Christ-like examples to everyone we come in contact with, you never know what kind of impression you can make on an individual. Have a great week.

YOUTH GROUP MISSION

To grow into one of the strongest, God fearing, neighbor loving, cross centered, Bible studying youth ministries in the world today.

THOSE PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

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| Announcements | Mike Eubanks |
| Video Media | Claude Thompson |
| Ushers | Jason Killough |
| | Aaron Myers |
| Song Leader | A.M. Steve May |
| | P.M. Family Day |
| Scripture Reading | A.M. William Busby (Acts 4:32) |
| | P.M. Family Day |
| Opening Prayer | A.M. Mike Eubanks |
| | P.M. Family Day |
| Closing Prayer | A.M. Stan Holland |
| | P.M. Family Day |

9th Man

George Spurlock

Men to Serve the Lord's Table - February

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| Jim Wilkes | Michael Eubanks | David Kirby |
| Walter Brock | Theo Blankenship | Robert Oliver |
| Claude Thompson | Robert Cornelison | |

Lord's Table PM: Tommy Blizzard

Communion to Shut-Ins: Kevin Crowell

Greeters for February

Front: Scott & Michelle Jayroe **Side:** Mike Eubanks

Information Booth: Margaret Istre

Nursery Attendants

A.M. Glenda Warren **P.M.** Family Day

Toddler Training Room: Ashley May

Children's Bible Hour: Family Day

Men to Serve Wednesday, February 10th

Song Leader: Phil Massey **Prayer:** Bob Bagwell

Lock up Building for month of February: Bill Pierce

Prepare Communion: Tanya Eubanks

Coordinate Meals for Sick & Bereaved: Tanya Eubanks

ELDERS

Kevin Crowell Mike Eubanks
Stan Holland

STAFF

David Myers Pulpit Minister

Terry Cagle Associate Minister **Jason Killough** Youth Minister
Carra Deck Secretary **Glenda Carpenter** Secretary

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

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| Sunday Morning Bible Study | 9:30 a.m. |
| Sunday Morning Worship | 10:30 a.m. |
| Sunday Evening Worship | 6:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday Evening Bible Study | 7:00 p.m. |

THE RECORD YOU HELPED MAKE

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Bible Study | 124 |
| Morning Worship | 205 |
| Evening Worship | 123 |
| Wednesday Bible Study | 128 |
| Contribution (Regular) | \$7,075.90 |
| Weekly Contribution Need | \$8,096.56 |

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY: SOUPER SUNDAY FAMILY DAY

Feb 8th - MONDAY NIGHR FOR THE MASTER dinner at 6, activitis at 6:25; please sign up on white registration card

Feb 9th - LADIES' BIBLE CLASS 10:30

Feb 13th - HOMEBUILDERS' SWEETHEART DINNER 5:30 at Michael and Jessica Davidsons' home; sign up sheet is in the side foyer. Please sign up by Feb 11th. Adults only!

Feb 14th - MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST 8:00

Feb 19th - PIONEER FELLOWSHIP 6:30

Feb 21st-24th - SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

SOUPER SUNDAY

Today is Souper Sunday Family Day. Please stay with us and eat in the multipurpose building after this morning's service. After we eat, we will have a short devotional and then services will be dismissed for the rest of the day.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

The 18th Annual Southeastern Bible Lectureship, Spiritual Enrichment 2010, will take place here at Azalea City on February 21st-24th. This year's theme is "The Church: Walking Together in the Riches of Christ", Studies in Ephesians. We will have Congregational Singing every night at 6:30 with our nightly speaker beginning at 7:10. We will have our daytime sessions Monday through Wednesday beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending around noon. Complete schedules are in both foyers.

OPEN YOUR HEART, OPEN YOUR HOME

Did you know there are 513,000 American children in foster care? Nearly 7,000 of these children are in Alabama's foster care system; and approximately 605 foster children right here in Mobile County. These children and youth need stable, loving care until they can either safely reunite with their families or establish other lifelong relationships with a nurturing adult (through adoption, for instance).

No matter how much time you have to give, you have the power to do something positive that will change the life of a young person in foster care. Perhaps you can open your heart and open your home to a child in need. For more information, please visit www.dhr.alabama.gov. You can also call 1-866-4AL-KIDS; or Mobile Co. Dept of Human Resources at 450-9172 or 450-9171.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS DIRECTORY

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| Sun Aud. | Bob Williams - Persecuted Christians in a Troubled World |
| Wed Aud. | David Myers - How to Shepherd, Serve, & Steer God's Flock Effectively |
| Wed Fhall | Ladies' Class - Various Topics |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CRAYONS FOR CHILDREN: We have placed bags of crayons and coloring sheets in the front foyer. If you have small children who want to draw, please have them draw on these instead of the attendance cards. Please return the crayons to the front foyer after church.

COMMUNION TO SHUT INS is available for anyone who might need it. If you need to have communion brought to you (or know someone who does), please contact the church office.

HOMEBUILDERS' SWEETHEART DINNER

The homebuilders will be celebrating Valentine's Day with a dinner at Michael and Jessica Davidson's home. The cost is \$10/person, \$20/couple. Please sign up and give your money to Michael or Jessica by February 10th. You also need to give Jessica your valentine candy by the 10th. The sign up sheet is in the side foyer. This is an adults only event, please.

INNER CITY INTERNS

Inner City Ministry has 3 interns from Heritage Christian University working with them from late May until early August. The interns are raising all their own funds to work with inner city but they need a place to stay while they are here. If you can host one (or more) of these young people, please call Chuck Griffis at 583-0836. There is one female intern and two male interns, all in their early to mid 20's.

NEW ADDRESS

Please note the following address change in your directory:
Buddy & Judy Cagle 13421 Jeffrey Rd Wilmer, AL 36587
251-605-8277

HELP FOR HAITI

The office has received several emails that churches of Christ in Port-au-Prince and surrounding areas have lost many members to the devastating earthquake. One church lost 150 members and 40 churches have lost their buildings. They are in desperate need of assistance, especially monetary. If you would like to help with the relief efforts being made by our brethren who are in Haiti, please make your check out to Azalea City Church of Christ and write "Haiti Relief" on the subject line. The elders will send all contributions to the Churches of Christ Disaster Response Team and the West Broward Church of Christ Haiti Disaster Relief.

FROM THE MAILBOX

Dear Ones at Azalea City,

The longer I'm away, the more I miss you! I do want to thank you for all the cards and notes of encouragement you have sent me. It's wonderful to know you are thinking of me. I'm beginning to feel better and will soon know whether or not I will have surgery. I know the Lord and your prayers will help me. I love you all and look forward to seeing you all in March.

With love, Jean

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (members)

PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW OF ANY CHANGES IN THE PRAYER LIST

John Allsup - Providence ICU 510, able to sit up some, improving
Robert Cornelison - Doing well after surgery
Lisa Marler - Kidney stones
Jean Fogle - Has an enlarged heart and broken vertebrae (may need surgery)
Dean Simmons - Prov Rm 634, recovering well from bypass surgery
Rainie McLinvale - Home from hospital, able to walk with assistance
Esther Bell - Home
Brad Tart - 3rd degree burns on hand, home, had last treatment, doing well
Paige Schmitz - Extremely bad allergies
Ruby Allsup - Bronchitis
Violet Tart - Progressing well, home
Betty Graham - Health issues, not feeling well
Deborah Moody
Myra Blizzard - Back pain
Brenda Odom
Billy Allsup - Back problems, deteriorated discs
Nita Mae Eubanks
Bill & Eunice Day - Health problems
James Bell - Lung infection, on antibiotics
Paul & Debora Merrell
Linda Lockler - having to resume treatments for blood problem

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Lori Holland (boy - Caleb Mitchell - June 2010)

OUR MILITARY

Josh Henebry - Marines, Afghanistan (Rick & Kathy's nephew)
Jason Odom - Iraq (Phillip & Tammy's nephew)
Chris Campbell - Navy
Randy Pierce - Marines, Afghanistan (Rudy & Nita's grandson)
Kenneth Andrews - In Iraq (Terry & Sue's son)
Aaron Allsup - Stationed in Italy (John & Ruby Allsup's grandson)
Jacob Pierce - Leaving 12/1 for Iraq
Matthew Geroux - Back in the states, home (Phillip & Tammy's son-in-law)
Keith Moss - Marines, in Afghanistan (Skip Garner's son-in-law)
Dewayne Nix - Navy, stationed in Corpus Christi, TX
Manuel Baldwin - Iraq (Natasha Polk's member at Univ COC-fiance')
Michael L Burroughs - Navy, back in the states (Irene King's son)
Layne Ortiz - London & **Ryan Ortiz** (Beverly Hall's niece and her husband)
Shaun Christian - Home (Phillip & Tammy Odom's nephew)
Sammie Girod - Qatar (church member in Vancleave, MS, friend of Libby Phillips)
Charles Lowery, Jr. - Army, stationed in Baghdad (friend of Carpenters)

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

To Gerald and Pauline King and family in the death of Pauline's brother, George Loden, this past week. The funeral was yesterday.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Today - Robin Campbell, Bob Moss
Monday - Nicholas Marler
Tuesday - Dallas King, Alicia McDonald
Thursday - Todd Cagle, Irene King
Friday - Stan Holland



REMEMBER IN PRAYER (friends & family)

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HAITI EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS
OUR BRETHERN IN JOS NIGERIA (Steve & Dee Worley will be going there this week)
Edward Crabtree - Mob Inf 4317, pneumonia
Jim Gordon - Cancer (cousin of Judy Cagle & Joyce Galloway)
Billy Ray & Elizabeth Richards - His cancer is worsening & she has several health issues (Ken Murphy's sister and brother-in-law)
Mr. Montgomery - Contemplating knee replacement (friend of Joann Brown)
Vera Hill - Cancer, radiation treatments, not doing well (Dora Wright's sister)
Kristi Wright - Extremely sick, tests (Margie Busby's sister-in-law)
Billy Lambert - Home, recovering from knee surgery
Sebastian Radford - 1 yr old, needs heart transplant (friend of Margaret Istre)
Heath Davis - USA, critical, was in car accident (member at Rocky Creek)
Don Thomaston - Knee problems, having a biopsy
Betty Williams - Crowne Health Care 954 Navco Rd Mobile 36605 473-8684
Clara Williams - Home from hospital (Bob's mother)
Steve Stewart - Brain tumor (Randy Warren's cousin)
Betty Ward - Lung cancer (friend of Carpenters)
Kaylee Wilson - Has a rare disease, 8 yrs old
Avery Smith - Leukemia, 1 yr old (relative of Justin & Jennifer Crain)
Coach Leslie (MGM) - Melanoma
Mackenzie Fisher - USA Childrens, rare syndrome (3 mths, friend of Eubanks)
Elijah Lewis - Home from hospital (Don&Sara Andrews 6 wk old grandson)
Veola Colley - Sugar elevated (Carlotta Russell's sister)
Joan Rogers - Hole in intestines (friend of Deborah Moody's)
Cathy Finch - Renal failure, beginning stage (Rhoda Carpenter's mother)
Kathy Ferguson - Broke femur (Beverly Hall's daughter)
Loretta Vaught - Cancer has returned in her liver (Tricia Pierce's mother)
Lillie Pierce - Health problems (Kathy Henebry's mother)
Faye Smith - Had a bad fall (friend of Rachel Myers)
Michelle Batchelor Mills - cancer, had double mastectomy, in Atlanta
Chris Barrett - Cancer (friend of Lisa Marler's)
Madelyn Fetner - Neonatal diabetes, treating with insulin (Ben & Jennifer's baby - members at Univ. COC)
Frances Davidson - Been sick for long time, Drs don't know why (Jerry's wife)
Fred Roschen - Cancer, not taking any more treatments (Margaret Istre's friend)
Judy Lincoln - Needs liver transplant (former member)
Larry Williams - Complications from kidney transplant (Easter's son)
Amy Dominques - Cancer of lymph nodes (relative of Helen Jones)
DC Mosley - Bone & blood cancer (Quincy & Pat Woodard's neighbor)
Freddy Corina's father - Health issues
Toni Lucas - Lymes Disease (Perry & Donna's daughter-in-law)
Temple Anderson - Cancer (elder at Opelika Church)
Jessica Weller - Cancer free (friend of the Roberts family)
Mary-Kathryn Harrison - Has Gorlin's Syndrome
Pauline Russell - cancer (Tim's sister)
Donald Thrower - Various health issues (Glenda Wilkes' brother)
Breanna Moore - 18 mth old, incurable disease (friend of Blankenships)
Brynn Woods - Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma (3½ yrs old)
J.T. Harrison - Back problems
Charlie Peterson - Cystic Fibrosis (child) (Mac & Jamie Goleman's friend)
Billy Jones - Mother is battling ovarian cancer (Kevin Crowell's friend)
Michael Hornbuckle - Head injury, another 6 months of recovery
Teddy Mears - Bone cancer
Ronin White - Cancer (Linda Lockler's 7 yr old nephew)
Pauline Russell - Cancer
Patricia Jones - Colon cancer
Greg Lewis - Cancer (friend of David & Sarah Myers)
Dylan Gibbon - Blood disorder (JoAnn Gibbon's young grandson in Calif.)
Elders, preachers, missionaries, college students
our Country & leaders